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## Amendments to the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-9 and 11-18 without prejudice to the Applicants' rights to pursue the subject matters in a future application, and add new claims 25-43.

- 1. (Canceled) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and an attenuated, tumor-targeting Gram-negative bacterium containing a bacteriophage, wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode for a gene product of interest under the control of an eukaryotic promoter or wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode the gene of interest as a fusion protein with a bacteriophage capsid protein.
- 2. (Canceled) The composition according to claim 1 in which the bacterium is a Salmonella.
- 3. (Canceled) The composition according to claim 1 in which the Gram-negative bacterium is Shigella.
- 4. (Canceled) The composition according to claim 1 in which the gene product of interest is a proteinaceous molecule.
- 5. (Canceled) The composition according to claim 1 in which the gene product of interest is an antigen.
- 6. (Canceled) The composition according to claim 4 in which the molecule is selected from the group consisting of a

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cytokine, a cytotoxin, a pro-drug converting enzyme and an anti-angiogenic agent.

- 7. (Canceled) The composition according to claim 6 in which the cytotoxin is a bacteriocin.
- 8. (Canceled) A kit comprising an attenuated, tumortargeting Gram-negative bacterium containing a bacteriophage, wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode for a gene product of interest under the control of an eukaryotic promoter or wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode the gene of interest as a fusion protein with a bacteriophage capsid protein, together with instructions for administering the attenuated, tumor-targeting Gramnegative bacterium containing a bacteriophage to a subject to deliver the gene product of interest.
- 9. (Canceled) A kit comprising an attenuated, tumortargeting Gram-negative bacterium expressing the F' pilus and a filamentous bacteriophage, wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode for a gene product of interest under the control of an eukaryotic promoter or wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode the gene of interest as a fusion protein with a bacteriophage capsid protein, together with instructions for administering the attenuated, tumortargeting Gram-negative bacterium expressing the F' pilus and a filamentous bacteriophage to a subject to deliver the gene product of interest.

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## 10. (Canceled)

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- 11. (Canceled) A method for delivering an agent comprising administering, to a subject, a pharmaceutical composition comprising an attenuated Gram-negative bacterium containing a bacteriophage, wherein the bacteriophage genome has been modified to encode for a gene product of interest under the control of an eukaryotic promoter or wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode for a gene of interest as a fusion protein with a bacteriophage capsid protein.
- 12. (Canceled) The method according to claim 11, in which the gene of interest is an antigen or a pro-drug converting enzyme.
- 13. (Canceled) The method according to claim 11, in which the gene of interest is fused with a bacteriophage capsid protein.
- 14. (Canceled) A method for delivering an agent comprising administering, to a subject, a pharmaceutical composition comprising an attenuated Gram-negative bacterium expressing the F' pilus and a filamentous bacteriophage, wherein the bacteriophage genome has been modified to encode for a gene product of interest under the control of an eukaryotic promoter or wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode for a gene of interest as a fusion protein with a bacteriophage capsid protein.

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15. (Canceled) A method of inhibiting tumor growth or reducing tumor volume comprising administering, to a subject in need of such inhibition or reduction, a pharmaceutical composition comprising an attenuated, tumortargeting Gram-negative bacterium containing a bacteriophage, wherein the bacteriophage genome has been modified to encode for a gene product of interest under the control of an eukaryotic promoter or wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode the gene of interest as a fusion protein with a bacteriophage capsid protein.

- 16. (Canceled) The method according to claim 15 in which the Gram-negative bacterium is Salmonella or Shigella.
- 17. (Canceled) A method of inhibiting tumor growth or reducing tumor volume comprising administering, to a subject in need of such inhibition or reduction, a pharmaceutical composition comprising an attenuated, tumortargeting Gram-negative bacterium expressing the F' pilus and a bacteriophage, wherein the bacteriophage genome has been modified to encode for a gene product of interest under the control of an eukaryotic promoter or wherein the genome of the bacteriophage has been modified to encode the gene of interest as a fusion protein with a bacteriophage capsid protein.
- 18. (Canceled) The method according to claim 17 in which the Gram-negative bacterium is Salmonella or Shigella.

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19.-24. (Canceled)

## Please add the following new claims 25-43, as follows:

25. A Salmonella strain which expresses F' pilus and produces filamentous bacteriophage and is capable of targeting tumors by intravenous administration.

- 26. A Salmonella strain which expresses F' pilus and produces filamentous bacteriophage and is capable of targeting tumors by intravenous administration and producing phage directly within tumors.
- 27. (New) The Salmonella according to Claim 25, wherein the Salmonella is attenuated.
- 28. (New) The Salmonella according to Claim 26, wherein the Salmonella is attenuated.
- 29. (New) A composition comprising the Salmonella of claim 25.
- 30. (New) A composition comprising the Salmonella of claim 26.
- 31. (New) The composition according to Claim 29, wherein the Salmonella is attenuated.

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32. (New) The composition according to Claim 30, wherein the Salmonella is attenuated.

- 33. (New) The composition according to Claim 31 in which the Salmonella strain is attenuated by an msbB- mutation.
- 34. (New) The composition according to Claim 31 in which the Salmonella is attenuated by a pur- mutation.
- 35. (New) The composition according to Claim 32 in which the Salmonella strain is attenuated by an msbB- mutation.
- 36. (New) The composition according to Claim 32 in which the Salmonella is attenuated by a pur- mutation.
- 37. (New) A method for delivering filamentous bacteriophage to solid tumors by intravenous administration of attenuated tumor-targeted Salmonella engineered to contain a filamentous bacteriophage of interest.
- 38. (New) A kit comprising an attenuated, tumor-targeting Salmonella expressing F' pilus suitable for delivery of a filamentous bacteriophage cloning vector to tumors by intravenous administration.
- 39. (New) A kit according to claim 38 in which the filamentous bacteriophage cloning vector possesses a eukaryotic promoter.

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40. (New) The Salmonella according to claim 25, wherein the Salmonella is capable of delivering between  $2.7 \times 10^9$  p.f.u. (plaque forming unit)/gram and  $4.6 \times 10^{11}$  p.f.u./gram of phage to tumors.

- 41. (New) The Salmonella according to claim 26, wherein the Salmonella is capable of delivering between  $2.7 \times 10^9$  gram p.f.u./gram and  $4.6 \times 10^{11}$  p.f.u./gram of phage to tumors.
- 42. (New) The Salmonella according to claim 27, wherein the Salmonella is capable of delivering between  $2.7 \times 10^9$  p.f.u./gram and  $5.9 \times 10^9$  p.f.u./gram of phage to tumors.
- 43. (New) The Salmonella according to claim 28, wherein the Salmonella is capable of delivering between  $2.7 \times 10^9$  p.f.u./gram and  $5.9 \times 10^9$  p.f.u./gram of phage to tumors.